GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL



POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT NO: #16-034	POSITION TITLE: TRIAL ATTORNEY (Consumer Protection)
	SALARY RANGE: \$106,919 - \$125,774
POSITION GRADE & SERIES: LS-14/1 to 15/1	Salary in this range will be based on a multitude of factors including applicable rules, regulations and guidelines. Offers will not be made outside of this range.
OPENING DATE: May 9, 2016 CLOSING DATE: June 8, 2016	This position is within the collective bargaining unit.
AREA OF CONSIDERATION: Open to the Public	DURATION OF APPOINTMENT: Permanent
WORKSITE LOCATION: Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia Office of Consumer Protection 441 4 th Street NW Washington, D.C. 20001	NO. OF VACANCIES: One (1)

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES: The District of Columbia Office of the Attorney General (OAG) seeks a trial attorney for its Office of Consumer Protection.

The attorneys will work on a range of public interest cases, with an emphasis on civil enforcement of the District's Consumer Protection Procedures Act and related local and federal consumer protection laws. Some of the enforcement work will involve participation in multi-state groups of assistant attorneys general that investigate, litigate, or resolve consumer protection issues on a national scale, including participation on the Executive Committees leading complex, document-intensive investigations. Other enforcement work will focus on "local" issues pertaining specifically to D.C. consumers or to businesses based in D.C. Work may also involve traditional civil litigation defense of cases in a variety of areas of law.

Duties will include, but will not be limited to, identifying areas for investigation, conducting pre-complaint discovery using compulsory process and informal methods, analyzing complex factual and legal issues, negotiating settlements, preparing matters for litigation, litigating cases through trial in D.C. Superior Court or federal district court, coordinating efforts with other District, state, and federal enforcement agencies, drafting and reviewing amicus filings and comments, drafting and reviewing proposed legislation, and engaging in consumer outreach and education activities.

ELIGIBILITY: The ideal candidate should have significant civil litigation experience (10+ years, preferably as a first chair or lead attorney), as well as strong legal research, writing, and analysis skills, and be capable of serving as a team lead. The candidate must be able to handle several complex matters at one time. Familiarity with consumer protection law and demonstrated interest in public service work are desirable.

The successful candidate must have a law degree and be an active member in good standing of the bar of any jurisdiction. If not a member of the District of Columbia Bar, the candidate must be sworn into the District of Columbia Bar within 360 days of his/her initial appointment with the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia.

HOW TO APPLY: If you are interested in this opportunity, please e-mail a PDF file which includes: 1) a cover letter (<u>must include the vacancy number</u>) summarizing why you are interested and the skills and abilities you possess that will enable you to succeed in this position; 2) a résumé; 3) a list of three references; and 4) a writing sample to <u>OAG.RecruitmentAttorney@dc.gov</u> addressed to Arlyntha Love, Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia, 441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 1100 South, Washington, D.C. 20001.

PRIORITY CONSIDERATION: Displaced Employee Priority Placement: Employees eligible for the District of Columbia's Displaced Employee Program (DEP) and Agency Reemployment Priority Placement Program (ARPP) will be given priority consideration for this position if deemed qualified.

EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS: Selectee will be eligible for health and life insurance, annual (vacation) and sick leave and will be covered under the District of Columbia government's retirement plan. However, if selectee was previously employed in the District of Columbia government under an appointment for which he/she was eligible for Civil Service Retirement (CSR), contributions to CSR will resume upon re-employment.

VETERANS PREFERENCE: Applicants claiming veteran's preference must submit official proof at the time of application.

DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE: Pursuant to the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1998, the individual selected to fill this position will, as a condition of employment, be required to notify his/her immediate supervisor, in writing, not later than five (5) days after conviction of or a plea of guilty to a violation of any criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace.

OTHER INFORMATION: The final candidate will be subject to a background investigation including reference checks.

NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION: In accordance with the D.C. Human Rights Act of 1977, as amended, D.C. Official Code, Section 2-1401.01 et. seq., (Act) the District of Columbia does not discriminate on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, familial status, family responsibilities, matriculation, political affiliation, disability, source of income, or place of residence or business. Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination which is also prohibited by the Act. In addition, harassment based on any of the above protected categories is prohibited by the Act. Discrimination in violation of the Act will not be tolerated. Violators will be subject to disciplinary action.